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Marlene H. Dortch, Esq.
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 Twelfth Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Notice of *Ex Parte* Meeting: Improving Public Safety Communications in the
800 MHz Band, WT Docket No. 02-55

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to Section 1.1206(b)(2) of the Commission's Rules, this is to notify you that John Logan and Alan McIntyre, of Southern Communications Services, Inc. (Southern), and undersigned counsel for Southern, spoke by telephone today with David Means, William Hurst, and William Inglis of the Office of Engineering and Technology. The parties discussed the status of the FCC's interference testing in connection with the above-referenced docket.

Pursuant to the Commission's Rules, one copy of this notice is being filed electronically with the Commission. If there are any questions concerning this matter, please let me know.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Jeffrey L. Sheldon

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cc: David L. Means
William Hurst
William Inglis